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1. IN ABSENCE OF SPATARU E/C COUNSELOR CALLED ON MANDESCU AND MATACHE TO CONVEY PROPOSED ITINERARY OF COLLINS REPRESENTATIVES. ROMANIANS INDICATED THEY UNABLE TO GIVE FINAL APPROVAL TODAY SINCE MILITARY AUTHORITIES RESPONSIBLE FOR AIRCRAFT PURCHASE WERE NOT PREPARED FOR VISIT. IN LAST DAY OR TWO ROMANIAN AIRCRAFT PREFERENCE HAS SHIFTED FROM 707-320C TO 707-353. MANDESCU PROMISED HE WOULD CHECK WITH HIS MILITARY COLLEAGUES AND PROVIDE ANSWER BY COB SEPTEMBER 3 REGARDING GOR WILLINGNESS TO RECEIVE COLLINS TEAM. E/C COUNSELOR URGED APPROVAL FOR VISIT IN LIGHT OF COLLINS PREPAREDNESS TO DISCUSS ALL ALTERNATIVE AIRCRAFT.

2. SHIFT IN ROMANIAN MILITARY THINKING ABOUT BASIC AIRCRAFT CAME TO SURFACE AFTER DISCUSSION WITH BOEING REP ERHENWALD YESTERDAY (SEPTEMBER 1). PREFERENCE FOR 707-353 APPEARS TO STEM FROM ORDERS GIVEN BY PRESIDENT CEAUSESCU. WILL GIVE ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND IN MESSAGE CONVEYING ROMANIAN RESPONSE.

3. WE WILL MAKE HOTEL RESERVATIONS ON CONTINGENCY BASIS.
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